

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Monday, March 19, 2001, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Don Hartill; Trustees Lynn Leopold, Larry Fresinski, and Janet Beebe; Planning Board Member Phil Dankert; Village Attorney Randy Marcus.

Mayor Don Hartill called the meeting to order at 7:35P.M. He opened the public comment period and there were no comments.

Motion- To Close Public Comment Period

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to close the public comment period.

Trustee Lynn Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill - Aye Trustee Janet Beebe- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Next on the agenda was a public hearing to consider Proposed Local Law A

Motion- To Open the Public Hearing to Consider Proposed Local Law a, Amendment to Village of Lansing Land Subdivision Regulations To Add Definition of "Municipal Subdivision"

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to open the public hearing.

Trustee Lynn Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill - Aye Trustee Janet Beebe- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold –Aye

The Mayor stated that this law is to enable us to acquire property along N. Triphammer Rd. without having to have the Planning Board approve a subdivision for each parcel. Lynn asked if this would also relate to the road along the south part of the Kensington townhouses. Don said it would.

Motion- To Close the Public Hearing

Trustee Janet Beebe moved to close the public hearing.

Trustee Larry Fresinski seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill - Aye Trustee Janet Beebe- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Don modified the agenda to add the engineer's report. Dave Putnam stated that the Pyramid Mall expansion would go right over the sewer line, which is not acceptable. This means that Pyramid would have to relocate 3-400 feet of sewer line. Randy added that the sewer easement does not allow building on it.

Dave has a meeting with Randy's partner, Bill Troy, to discuss United Asphalt and the Uptown Rd. project. Bill has experience dealing with bonding companies. The only correspondence Dave has received is from United Asphalt stating that they had the asphalt tested and it didn't meet specifications. The bond company has been put on notice. A

bonding company basically provides an insurance policy. Dave stated that the top course on Uptown Rd. is not good. Powerline, a subcontractor of United Asphalt, damaged a village sewer line when installing the traffic light. Powerline is aware of this and the Village should send the bills to Powerline, Powerline stated that they will deduct the cost off United Asphalt's bill.

Exclusive of N. Triphammer Rd., Don sees the expense of \$173,000 for A5112.2, Street Capital Improvements and \$80,000 for A 5110.4, street maintenance. The Village would like to add an extra lane at the entrance of Sevanna Park, Kensington improvements and do an overlay on Cayuga Heights Rd. Dave Putnam is concerned with the section of Bush Lane from Brook Drive to the town line. He feels it needs to be at least 20 feet wide. The surveys at the corner of Churchill Dr. and Wakefield are very confusing. The Mayor asked Dave where we are on taking the water tank down. CBord has their annual conference in June so after that we will give a contractor a two-month period to get the tank down.

In the sewer fund the Mayor would like to have the Highgate sewer lines televised. Other lines to be televised are the N. Triphammer Rd. areas south of Route 13. In this area the lines are smaller, older and have a bigger impact on the Village of Cayuga Heights. The Mayor would like this process carefully documented. TG Miller will conduct this and will include the repair of sewer lines in the N. Triphammer contract.

Motion-Approval of Minutes for March 5, 2001

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved that the draft meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes. Trustee Janet Beebe seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye Trustee Janet Beebe-Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

The Mayor reported that we continue to make progress with the joint sewer agreement. The Village of Cayuga Heights is meeting tonight to discuss their position in the partnership. Since we aren't owners we could be left high and dry. We are entitled to our current capacity and may buy in the rest. Don feels we should do this by adding a small amount to our connection fee. Friday there is a meeting to discuss how to proceed with the EIS. Don has included in the budget the \$54,000, which it will cost the Village to execute the EIS. There will be a formal scoping session. He is confident that we will be getting 10's of sewer units.

The water agreement is still in the lawyer's hands. Don asked Randy to look into the Bolton Point Rd. issue again. Don is still working on forming a committee to decide what to do with the land gift from the Edelman's.

At this point the Board decided to approve Proposed Local Law A. Randy stated that this proposed law is covered by the administrative act exemption so no SEQR was necessary.

Resolution #3745-To Accept Proposed Local Law A as Law 1, 2001

Amendment of Village of Lansing Land Subdivision Regulations to Add Definition of "Municipal Subdivision".

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing as follows:

SECTION I. PURPOSE AND INTENT.

The purpose of this Local Law is to provide a different procedure for subdivision review and approval in the case that an existing lot is to be subdivided, at the request of the Village, into two (2) lots, one of which

is to be acquired by the Village for use as a public road right-of-way, or a portion of a public road right-of-way, whether or not such lot to be acquired by the Village has already been developed for road purposes, and the other of which is to be retained by the lot owner in its current state, whether as a developed or undeveloped lot. It is the intent of this Local Law to add to Village of Lansing Land Subdivision Regulations Article 200, Definitions, a definition of the new term "Municipal Subdivision" that shall specify the circumstances in which a different procedure shall apply and state such procedure.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT.

A. The following definition is hereby added to the Village of Lansing Land

(b) Prior to conducting the public hearing in connection with a municipal subdivision, the Board of Trustees shall obtain from the Village's Code Enforcement Officer confirmation whether or not the municipal subdivision shall result in the remaining lot becoming a nonconforming lot as a result of the diminishment in lot area, or shall result in the remaining lot containing a nonconforming structure as a result of the diminishment in setback, under applicable Village of Lansing Zoning Law District Regulations. In the event that approval of the municipal subdivision would result in such nonconformity, the Board shall take such action as appropriate in order that no such nonconformity results. For example, the Board may adopt a Local Law, similar in substance to Local Law 2 of 1998, to address such nonconformity, or the Board may arrange for the Village to acquire the entire lot, or arrange for conveyance of the remainder of the lot to adjoining property owners. The terms of the immediately preceding two (2) sentences shall not apply to the lots located along the east and west sides of North Triphammer Road that were the subject of said Local Law 2 of 1998.

B. The following sentence shall be added at the end of the definitions of

"Minor Subdivision" and of "Major Subdivision" in Village of Lansing Land

Subdivision Regulations Article 200:

This definition shall not include a "municipal subdivision", as defined below.

SECTION III. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall be effective ten (10) days after publication and posting as required by law, except that it shall be effective from the date of service as against a person served with a copy thereof, certified by the Village Clerk, and showing the date of its passage and entry in the Minutes of the Village Board of Trustees.

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved that we accept Local Law 1, 2001. Janet Beebe seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye Trustee Janet Beebe-Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Next on the agenda was Budget discussion. Don asked if we had received anything from Brent Cross on engineering costs. We have not so Jodi will call him tomorrow. Don handed out a proposed budget for the Board to work on. The following were some of the comments he made.

A1120-Non-Property Tax Distribution by County (sales tax), the population has increased 4%, sales tax is usually proportional to this, so he has proposed an increasing by \$30,000.

A1130-Gross Receipts are the same.

A2590-Permits, has been increased because of the number of large building permits

A2665-Equipment Sales, we will be buying a new truck and selling the old

A2701, Refund of Prior Years Expenses, snow plowing refund is 0 this year.

A 3005, Mortgage increased to \$30,000

A3040, Star increase from 0 to \$200.

A3310.4-Traffic Control, decrease to \$5,500 because the county took over our lights on N. Triphammer Rd. but we have two new lights, one at Graham Rd./N. Triphammer and the other of which the County pays for ½ of that lights expense at Uptown/Warren/ Arrowwood.

A5110.4-Highway Contractual-Routine maintenance decreased to \$80,000.

A5110.13-This is for a seasonal worker. This is increased 10% in case we want to have the seasonal for a longer period.

A5112.2-Street Improvement-\$174,000 for:

- \$31,000 Sevana Park, add a lane

-\$98,000 Highgate Shoulder Paving

-\$45,000 Esty Drive Resurfacing

A5112.22-Street Improvements Capital- The capital projects Dave Putnam has proposed for this year are:

-\$ 62,000 Churchill Dr.

-\$350,000 Cayuga Heights Overlay

-\$100,000 Northwood Road

We should be spending ~\$350,000. Last year we spent more because of Uptown Road. These numbers do not include N. Triphammer Rd. On N. Triphammer we will only be spending around \$300,000 on engineering so our 20% share will be approximately \$20,000.

A5142.4-Snow Removal, increased to \$5,000 to reflect taking over the snow removal in Kensington.

A7310.4- Youth Contract, includes the \$9,500 we pay to the Youth Partnership and the \$10,194 we pay to the Town of Ithaca

A8020.2-Planning Board Equipment, last year there was \$12,500 for the audio/video equipment in the conference room. We have not done that yet so we will encumber it this year and an additional \$500 is set aside this year.

A9056.8- Long Term Disability, the employees never received this last year. The ball was dropped when John Bailey left. Janet will work on this. The cost estimate given last year at the presentation given by Geoff Wright was \$1,500.

A9950.92-Transfer to Park Capital Fund, \$40,000

Janet will get Don a number for employees' salaries after she meets with them Wed.

Water Fund

Frank did a great job estimating the Water & Sewer Fund Budgets. Jodi feels that F2148- Interest & Penalties will be less because a couple of big customers are now paying on time. Also, A2401-Interest will be less because the rates have gone down. This is the last year the Bond Anticipation Note will be on the taxes. The Mayor would like the Board to consider doing another capital improvement, for instance Burdick Hill water lines, and doing another BAN. This would keep things constant. Then there would be no need to raise the water surcharge. The water fund is funded by water surcharge on your water bill and by doing a BAN that appear on your taxes.

Sewer Fund

G8120.2-Sewer Equipment, I&I televising and repairs, \$10,000 for new flow meters

G8120.42-Sewer Contractual, \$54,000 for EIS

G8120.43-Sewer Inspection Yaws, \$20,000 for TV monitoring lines

Don has had some difficulties with the County concerning cell towers. He asked for the Board's permission to draft a letter to the County stating that we are an EIS involved agency and we want confirmation of this in writing from the County within two weeks.

Randy gave an update as to where we stood with N. Triphammer Rd. property acquisitions. Don will follow up with

Joyce Rendano and Jodi will contact HSBC & Mobil again.

Don asked Larry if he had heard any more on putting the utilities underground. Don will call on this. Larry will call Peter Novelli, an independent engineer for the Village of Dryden to see what steps they went through in Dryden. Randy stated that Dryden got quotes to put the utilities underground and the end result was substantially less. Don stated that we would be reimbursed 80% of the cost to move the existing utilities. Larry will count poles.

Don had lunch with Fred Remilard & Alan Cohen on Friday to discuss McDonald's. Don feels that Fred's main concern is that any changes will have to come out of his pocket. The price for light bars are ~\$10,000. As far as the parking lot lights, one of the main concerns with the old McDonald's was the low light and they have had favorable comments with the new lighting. People feel safer. Fred is looking into the light bar option. Ben told Don that McDonald's Corporate Office had agreed to the changes. Though many are disturbed by the color of McDonald's roof, it is hard to legislate color.

Lynn thanked Jodi for doing double sided copying and pleaded that others do the same. She would like to have the Planning Board minutes copied two-sided. Jodi will let Carol know. Lynn also volunteered to be on a small subcommittee to decide what kind of video/sound system we are going to get for the conference room. The Board feels we need to discuss what would be most cost effective for the Village. Ben would also volunteer to be part of this group.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved adjournment. Trustee Lynn Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill- Aye Trustee Janet Beebe- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 10:10P.M.

Jodi Dake

Village Clerk